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Compare the three clusters of personality disorders & nursing interventions for each cluster:

Clusters	Defining Characteristics	Nursing Interventions
<p>Cluster A</p> <p>1. Paranoid Personality Disorder</p> <p>2. Schizoid Personality Disorder</p> <p>3. Schizotypal Personality Disorder</p>	<p>1. pervasive, persistent, and inappropriate mistrust of others, suspicious of others' motives and assume that others intend to exploit, harm, or deceive them</p> <p>2. profound defect in the ability to form personal relationships, Failure to respond to others in meaningful emotional way</p> <p>3. Resembles schizophrenia, may develop into schizophrenia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establish trust - Be honest - Set limit - Clear simple explanations - Professional demeanor (being polite to others)
<p>Cluster B</p> <p>1. antisocial personality disorder</p> <p>2. borderline personality disorder</p> <p>3. narcissistic personality disorder</p> <p>4. Historic Personality Disorder</p>	<p>1. Fails to sustain consistent employment, fail to conform to the law, fails to develop stable relationships, persistent disregards to others</p> <p>2. pattern of intense and chaotic relationships with affective instability, highly impulsive, chronic depression, and chronic feeling of hopelessness</p> <p>3. Sense of entitlement, believe to receive special considerations, lack of empathy, tantrums</p> <p>4. behavior: excitable/emotional, colorful/dramatic, extroverted</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Positive reinforcement - Communication and interactions professional - Provide support - Help clarify true feelings - Assess for suicidal ideation
<p>Cluster C</p> <p>1. Dependent Personality Disorder</p> <p>2. Avoidant Personality Disorder</p> <p>3. obsessive - compulsive disorder</p>	<p>1. pattern of relying on others for emotional support, intense fear of separation and being alone, lack self-confidence, need support from others</p> <p>2. extreme sensitivity to rejection, social withdrawal, awkward and uncomfortable, lonely, and unwanted, view other as critical or betraying</p> <p>3. inflexibility about the way in which things must be done, tend to be rigid and unbending, high achievers, polite and formal</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Friendly, gentle reassuring approach - Provide structure - Teach and role model assertiveness - Guard against power struggles - Assist in effective coping techniques

